

**COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**September 20, 2007**

The Monte Vista City Council met in recessed session of their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, September 20, 2007 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Room, 4 Chico Camino, Monte Vista, CO.

**Call to Order**

Mayor Don Schall called the meeting to order.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Mayor Don Schall led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Roll Call**

Members present Councilor Gabe Duran, Councilor Art Medina, Councilor Charles Spielman, Councilor Rose Wilson and Mayor Don Schall. Record to indicate a quorum was present.

Others present City Manager Don Van Wormer, City Attorney Eugene Farish, Chief of Police Jim Gallegos, City Clerk Lucille Duran, a member of the press and guests.

**Approval of Consent Agenda**

Councilor Spielman made a motion, and Councilor Wilson seconded, to approve the Consent Agenda as submitted. Consent agenda consisted only of approval of September 6, 2007 Council Minutes, and Approval of Expenditures. Motion carried unanimously.

**Citizen Comments/Special Presentations**

Stan Harlan – 405 Davis St. Received a warning notice today for parking a trailer in the street and I'm a little confused because it's just a small utility trailer for a lawn tractor hooked to my truck. I hooked the trailer up this morning to go to my father-in-law's and mow the yard. What does that mean; I can't hook my trailer up to my pickup to move a lawn tractor? Mayor Schall – You can and you can have it there for up to 72 hours. There is absolutely to be no parking of trailers of any kind on city streets for long periods of time. Stan – When I am not using it, it's parked in my back yard.

**Reports**

City Manager – You have a memo from Alisha just giving an FYI to council regarding the Ad Hoc committee to look at the overlay zoning. Another FYI, you have an article out of the Denver Post today on the Wolf Creek Project. The appeals court overturned the Mineral County decision. Reminder October 1<sup>st</sup> is the CML District 8 Dinner in Alamosa.

**City Attorney**

Eugene Farish - I mailed you out the Ordinance on the RV parking. Look that over and let me know.

## **Council**

Councilor Medina – Discussed the RV Ordinance. Need to have another workshop with Planning and Zoning Commission. Workshop set up for October 9, 2007 at 6:00 P.M. Don, you met with DOLA. Is there any money? Don – I just got an e-mail from Deb Downs today on one of the outcomes of the audit. One of the programs that they will be looking at in doing is a small community's grant or a small grant in the range of maybe one hundred to two hundred thousand dollars and making it an administrative process where you don't have to go to energy impact hearings and the whole thing. They still haven't come to any real conclusions to the discussions among the committees that may be chaired by Senator Schwartz. It is still up in the air. Art - One more thing, would you tell Randy regarding the alley on Adams and Jefferson between Seventh and Eighth, I had a neighbor call me to see if the city could go down there and take a truckload of gravel and fill the potholes.

Councilor Spielman – There is an excellent meeting on October 30 on the subject of energy, and I plan to attend. Tomorrow there is a meeting sponsored by CML on Energy Conservation. I attended a transportation meeting in Durango.

Councilor Duran – Jim, if you could have your ordinance officer cruise the alleys in Lariat. I had trouble finding an officer. I had a citizen come up to me. We need to clean those alleys up. Someone asked me about the curbs. Don - A number of citizens said that were looking at replacing sidewalks. Basically what we have offered is the city would demolish or remove the existing curbs, even sidewalks, to help save them a few dollars.

## **Recess/Adjournment of Meeting**

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 P.M.

Donald Schall, Mayor  
Lucille Duran, City Clerk  
Approved 10/04/07